

## WHITNEY WILL NOT TAKE IT.

## He Declines the National Democratic Chairmanship.

Mr. Cleveland Invited to Be a Tammany Fourth of July Orator.

Ex-Navy Secretary William C. Whitney put a stop today to the talk of making him Chairman of the National Democratic Committee. In the same unequivocal style of his renunciation of all Presidential ambitions, Mr. Whitney declines this new honor desired to be thrust upon him. He says, tersely: "Many Democrats have been good enough to mention my name in connection with the chairmanship, but I will not take it under any circumstances."

There is nothing under the bush in that declaration either, and the leaders have already begun to cast about them for some other man upon whom to center the honor and the accompanying responsibility and hard work of the campaign.

The National committee will meet July 13 or 14, after Mr. Cleveland has been officially notified of his nomination, which ceremony will be performed at his home in this city a day or two before that time. The most urgent business of the committee will be the perfecting of its organization, and the selection of a Chairman will come first. William F. Harry, Secretary of State of Pennsylvania, was looked upon as the next greatest general at Chicago after Whitney, impressing Mr. Cleveland's friends as a first-rate organizer, and his work in Chicago, added to the success which has crowned his efforts in the Keystone State, where a Democratic Governor and several other Democratic State officers are now in power, makes him the most likely candidate for Senator Calvin S. Brice's place.

Mr. Harry is less than forty-two years old, having been born in Wilmington, Del., Oct. 10, 1850. He studied law at twenty with Lewis C. Cassidy, and in 1873 was admitted to the bar, attaining a most successful practice before the Keystone criminal courts. He early became recognized as an efficient organizer, and his work in Chicago, added to the success which has crowned his efforts in the Keystone State, where a Democratic Governor and several other Democratic State officers are now in power, makes him the most likely candidate for Senator Calvin S. Brice's place.

Mr. Harry is a six-footer, broad-shouldered and deep-chested. He wears a small brown mustache and has curly chestnut hair. He is an easy talker, has a sanguine, generous disposition and a quick mental grasp.

**COGNAC FOR CONGRESS.**  
Col. James J. Coogan is anxious to be one of Tammany's candidates for Congress. He is out of business now and, despite his sad experience of 1893, when he spent \$100,000 as the candidate of the Labor party for Mayor and got only 4,000 votes, he is anxious to get into politics again.

Col. Coogan got his title as commander of the famous Hancock Legion in the Presidential campaign of 1890. It is considered very probable that Col. Coogan's ambition will be gratified by Tammany Hall.

**TAMMANY INVITES CLEVELAND.**  
Ex-President Grover Cleveland has been favored with an invitation to address that established Democratic institution, the Fourth of July pot-ow-wow or the society of Tammany or Columbian order, the following letter having been addressed to him at Gray stable:

DEAR SIR: On the Fourth of July next the Tammany Society or Columbian Order will hold a pot-ow-wow at 10 o'clock A. M. in the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of American independence. The occasion is de-

signed to be of exceptional significance and extended effect.  
We cordially desire the favor of your personal presence and give you this urgent invitation to attend and address the meeting. Should you be unable to attend, we would desire an expression of your views appropriate to the occasion, and we would desire to have you present in person. Yours very respectfully,  
W. H. Harrison, Chairman, Thomas J. Murphy, W. H. Clark, Bernard F. Martin and Charles E. Bonomo, Committee.

An exactly similar letter was forwarded to Senator Hill, and should both these Democrats appear and Tammany's hopes may be expected to give a war-dance on the Fourth street table.  
No reply has yet been received to either letter, but Senator Hill is quoted in a Washington dispatch as saying: "I do not expect to be in New York on that date."

**LEAGUE OF DEMOCRATIC CLUBS.**  
The State League of Democratic Clubs is getting ready for hard work in the State campaign. The National Executive Committee gathered late yesterday afternoon at 5 William street to discuss plans. Among those present were ex-Mayor John B. Thayer, of Albany, President of the State League; Kingsbury Curtis, President John H. Arnold, of the Board of Aldermen, and Robert M. Moore.

President Thayer was authorized to appoint an Executive Campaign Committee, which is to look after all the details preliminary to an aggressive campaign, which will begin with the State convention of the clubs in the latter part of August or first week of September, which will mark the real beginning of the great National battle.

William Brookfield, Chairman of the Republican State Committee and of the County Committee, has been invited by Senator Thayer to visit President Harrison at the White House. Mr. Brookfield is distinctly expected to be Senator Pratt.

## SPARROW COPS NEW CAPTAIN.

Much Criticism of the Appointment of Collins to Succeed Beatty.

The promotion of Sergeant Christopher C. Collins by the Park Board to be Captain of the Park police, in the place of the late Capt. Beatty, has aroused much unfavorable criticism on the ground that it was a piece of marked favoritism.

He was promoted over the heads of his superiors both in length of service and good record, and it is said that it was only his political pull which enabled him to secure his repeated promotions. He is a relative of the late Mayor Richard W. Croker, and was appointed as a park gatekeeper in 1879 at the instance of Mr. Croker. In 1885 he was raised to the rank of a roundabout, but after a few days after Capt. Beatty's death he was made a roundabout again, and on May 5 promoted to a sergeant without any apparent reason. In the ratings of the Civil Service Commission, he is a sergeant, but several points higher than Collins, while Sergeant Beatty, who has been in the service for twenty-five years, was equal in standing with him.

Commissioner Gallup says that the Board chose Collins because they wanted to introduce new blood into the department and because they thought he was a man of strong individuality and capable of managing a large body of men.

Beatty, he said, "our ideal of a commander of the force was a retired cavalry officer, who would look well on horseback and who should be a gentleman as well. There was no retired cavalry officer on hand, so we took Collins."

## SHE HAD THE DROP ON HIM.

Kitty Ireland's Brother Then Knocked Her Assassin Senseless.

**BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.**  
NEWPORT, Ark., July 1.—The death of Jesse Murphy, last Sunday, was a peculiar tragedy. Last Sunday, Murphy, who was drunk, visited Miss Kitty Ireland and invited her to go riding. She refused, but he grew abusive and attempted to force her to accompany him. As he advanced towards her, she seized her brother's shotgun and fired at him. The lady fired again and shot Murphy in the right arm. The lady's brother now appeared and hit Murphy on the head, knocking him senseless. Murphy lingered until last night and died.

## IT'S BIDWELL AND CRANFILL.

## Prohibitionists Complete Their National Ticket at 2 A. M.

Sam Small Withdraws from His Candidacy for Second Place.

**BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.**  
CINCINNATI, July 1.—It was two minutes to midnight when the Prohibition National Convention nominated its candidate for President, and it was 2 o'clock this morning when a Vice-presidential nomination was made.

The Justice was told that Katie had a penchant for telling lies. Agent King specified a few of the girl's fabrications, and Justice Kilbreth said she certainly is very precocious. I will remand her to the society's care until you have a chance to find out something truthful about her."

Katie wore a red sailor blouse, with a white collar and blue cuffs, and a cheap plaid skirt, reaching just below her knees. A black straw hat rested rakishly on her head, and a long strand of thick black hair hung in loops down her back. Her eyes are lark black and her face, aged beyond her years, is pale and pinched.

"My name is Katie Riley," she said, "and I'm twelve years old. I live at Thirty-sixth street and Eleventh avenue, two flights up. In the rear. My mother's name was Catherine. She is dead and is buried in Calvary cemetery."

"I ain't had anybody to look after me since, and nobody has given me anything to eat or any clothes to wear. I have a few ragged clothes, but my mother died, and they stretched out a ragged dress."

"My father's name is Philip, but he lives with a bad woman on Thirty-seventh street, near Fifth avenue. That's why I left home a week or so ago."

She added that she had slept out of doors and had not eaten anything for a week.

"I have a sister Maggie in the Catholic Protectors, and Eddie, my brother, gets \$2 a week in a paper factory downtown," she said.

Policeman McDonald, of the West Sixty-eighth street station, picked Katie up at 4:30 yesterday morning, asleep in an open lot at Tenth avenue and Sixty-second street, with a rag for a pillow.

Agent King investigated Katie's story yesterday and found that mostly knew her at Thirty-sixth street and Eleventh avenue.

## MEXICAN GENERALS TO FIGHT.

**BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.**  
CITY OF MEXICO, July 1.—Two prominent Generals of the Mexican army are to fight a duel. The quarrel grew out of the mock battle which was fought, some weeks ago in the vicinity of the capital.

Gen. Sosthenes Rocha, a distinguished officer on the retreat list, published a series of articles in *El Comercio*, criticizing the maneuvers severely from a strategic and scientific standpoint.

Gen. Casper Sanchez, commanding the troops which acted on the offensive, made a bitter retort, insinuating that his detractor was inspired by jealousy and other base motives. This was considered a personal insult, and a challenge was sent and accepted.

## BATTERY PARK CONCERT.

Bayne's Sixty-ninth Regiment Band will furnish the music at Battery Park to-night at 8 o'clock. The star-spangled banner:

1.—March Militaire..... Wyoma  
2.—Overture..... May  
3.—Knappe Music..... Pinafore  
4.—Ballet Music from the Opera..... McDonald  
5.—Aria and Cavatina..... Faust, A. de Amor  
6.—Valse..... First Enchanted Lebea  
7.—Columbia Overture..... The Golden Bells  
8.—Caprice Elegante..... The Golden Bells  
9.—Savannah Blues..... The Golden Bells

Patrol of the Salvation Army.

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